

# COLUMBIA RIVER COMPACT ACTION NOTICE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

January 28, 2015

**THE FOLLOWING SEASONS WERE SET:**

<i>2015 Mainstem Columbia River Spring Chinook Recreational Fisheries</i>		
<b>Downstream of Bonneville Dam</b>		
<b>Season</b>	Sunday March 1 through Friday April 10, 2015, <u>except closed</u> March 24, March 31 and April 7 (Tuesdays)	38 retention days
<b>Area:</b>	Buoy 10 upstream to Beacon Rock (boat and bank) plus bank angling only from Beacon Rock upstream to the Bonneville Dam deadline.  Legal upstream boat boundary defined as: "A deadline marker on the Oregon bank (approximately four miles downstream from Bonneville Dam Powerhouse One) in a straight line through the western tip of Pierce Island to a deadline marker on the Washington bank at Beacon Rock."	
<b>Daily Bag Limit:</b>	Two adult salmonids per day, but only one may be a Chinook. Only adipose fin-clipped fish may be kept. All other permanent regulations apply.	
<b>Bonneville Dam to Oregon/Washington Border</b>		
<b>Season:</b>	Monday March 16 through Wednesday May 6, 2015	52 retention days
<b>Area:</b>	Tower Island power lines (approximately 6 miles below The Dalles Dam) upstream to Oregon/Washington border, plus the Oregon and Washington banks between Bonneville Dam and the Tower Island power lines.	
<b>Daily Bag Limit:</b>	Two adult salmonids per day, but only one may be a Chinook. Only adipose fin-clipped fish may be kept. All other permanent regulations apply.	

<i>2015 Retention of Hatchery Steelhead and Shad During Recreational Spring Chinook Fisheries</i>
Effective March 1 – May 15, 2015, the mainstem Columbia River will be open for retention of adipose fin-clipped steelhead and shad <b>ONLY</b> during days and in areas open for retention of adipose fin-clipped spring Chinook.

<i>2015 Select Area Recreational Fisheries</i>
Effective March 1 – June 15, 2015:  On days when the mainstem Columbia River recreational fishery below Bonneville Dam is open to retention of Chinook, the salmonid daily bag limit in Oregon and Washington Select Areas will be the same as mainstem Columbia River bag limits.  On days when the mainstem Columbia River fishery is <u>closed</u> to Chinook retention, the permanent salmonid bag limit regulations for Select Areas apply.

A Compact is scheduled for 1 PM February 23 to discuss treaty fisheries

A Joint State hearing is scheduled for April 7 to discuss the lower Columbia sport fishery

